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REF: (A) BRUSSELS 13326; (B) BRUSSELS 13322

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES MISSION EFFORTS RE NEXT STEPS
FOR US-EURATOM RENEGOTIATION, AGREES WITH MISSION VIEW ON
ENTERING INTO THE NEGOTIATING PROCESS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE
(PREFERABLY LATE SEPTEMBER OR EARLY OCTOBER), AND HAS

NOTED BRUNNER'S POSITIVE REACTION TO THIS SUGGESTION.

2. RE PROCEDURES DISCUSSED REFTEL (A): DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT OPENING ROUND OF US-EURATOM DISCUSSIONS WOULD PREFERABLY BE HEADED BY AMBASSADOR SMITH. AS FOR WHERE THESE INITIAL DISCUSSIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE, DEPARTMENT WOULD WELCOME EC NEGOTIATING TEAM IN WASHINGTON, AT MUTUALLY AGREED DATE, IF EC FOUND THIS COURSE PRACTICABLE. IF NOT, US TEAM COULD MEET IN BRUSSELS AT MUTUALLY AGREED DATE IN OCTOBER. NOSENZO WILL LEAD SUBSEQUENT NEGOTIATING TEAM WHICH WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM DOE.

3. DEPARTMENT NOW PREPARING DRAFT OUTLINE OF SUBJECTS FOR INITIAL DISCUSSIONS WHICH WE WILL FORWARD IN NEAR FUTURE

FOR MISSION COMMENT AND INPUT.

4. RE REFTEL (B), WE ARE PREPARING LETTER FROM THE ACTING SECRETARY TO THE NRC PROVIDING NOTIFICATION TO NRC AS REQUIRED BY LAW ON EC AGREEMENT TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS AND URGING PROMPT ATTENTION TO CASES NOW PENDING BEFORE COMMISSION. DEPARTMENT WILL INFORM YOU AS SOON AS LETTER HAS BEEN DISPATCHED TO THE NRC. CHRISTOPHER

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